

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An apparatus and method allow for distribution of a streamed signal within a group of users in a computer network, the users accessing client terminals (10, 20, 30, 40) for participation in a multicast session. The apparatus includes connecting links (12, 22, 32, 42) adapted to connect the client terminals of users and related equipment, such as capturing elements (16, 26...; 18, 28...), to the multicast session, preferably via the Internet or other interconnecting network. An extension header is added to data packets of the streamed signal, the extension header including identification data relating to the intended recipient of a packet. A filtering element (14, 24, 34, 44) is associated with the receiving client and is adapted to filter out data packets having the address of the recipient and receiving the streamed signal. Consequently, the existing communication channel can be reused.